FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO.

Our eccentricity is our neighbor's "blame foolery."

The job of christianiing China should be let to the lowest bidder.

Eleomer balls are all the rage now. Chicago seems to have set the pace.

The man wearing a black eye is in mourning because the other fellow didn't get it.

Whipping the overloaded team is a poor way of trying to overcome the faults of a bad road.

carried out, the millenium would be along in just a little bit. The Chinaman should be taught to

If all good intentions were promptly

feel something of the respect for an American citizen that he has for a Japanese. Nails have gone up \$26 per ton owing

to the approach of a presidential elec-

tion. So many campaign lies will have

to be nailed. Of the 110 snakes just slain by an Ohio farmer, one had two heads. The snake-story season is still with us, and

there are other farmers.

Mrs. Davis of Indiana, aged 104, whose tobacco pipe has been buried with her, does not seem to have realized that nicotine might finally cary her off.

Cycling in the east has seriously affected the sale of planos, for whereas the girl who used to work the pedal to the misery of others now works it for her awn pleasure. The evolution is ac-

Edison's definition of electricity is "a mysterious fluid about which nothing is known." This is an old definition of water in Kentucky, but it does not follow that water and electricity are identical.

An emu in the London Zoo is said to be a perfect ventriloquist, being able to throw its voice at will. It must be related to the porcupine which, though it cannot throw its voice, very readily slings a quill.

Ex-Senator W. M. Evarts spends most of his time at his farm near Windsor, Vt. His sight is failing, but he still takes a lively interest in all current news. He is very much loved and honored by the people about him.

And now they say that bloomers are to be entirely superseded by the trim, closer-fitting knickerbockers, because the latter are more convenient and comfortable. Goodness gracious! How much further is this convenient and comfortable argument to be advanced?

The progressive newspapers of the land are full of "good roads," but the country at large is still full of "bad" roads. But to know better is to do better, in many cases, and now that so much splendid preaching is being done along this line of thought it is probable that more or less of it will sooner or later be put into practice. "Good roads" is now in the air everywhere. By and the earth, where men can utilize them for traveling purposes.

There is a new fad in bicycle riding that is rapidly gaining in rural popularity ,although it is not likely that it will ever be introduced in the larger 'year. The agitation is already ceasing; cities. The problem that confronted that is, the camp-meeting part of the the country swains was how to take a lady with them for a spin without her riding an extra wheel, or putting them to the expense of a "bicycle built for two." Inventive minds have solved the difficulty. Two young men owning bicycles join forces and fasten their wheels together by a board that serves as a seat for the lady of their choice. The disadvantage of this system is that each fellow is obliged to be content with half a girl, but despite this its use is growing.

Statistics showing the amount of the government receipts and expenditures per head of population over a period of a decade and a half are given in the last report of the treasury department, According to the figures compiled by him, the receipts for the year 1894 show the lowest amount per capita for the entire period, being only \$4,455. The highest figures were reached in 1882, when the amount was \$7,864. The expenditures per capita, on the other hand, reached a high figure last year, viz., \$5,346, the largest amount for any year with the exception of 1891 and 1893, the latter year furnishing the he has been notified that he will be shot larger amount, namely, \$5.659; The low-water mark was reached in 1886. He is accused of assaulting a girl. The when the expenditures were \$4.210 per capita. The expenditures on account sides in the affair and there is great of pensions reached the highest amount per capita in 1893, but with the exception of that year, the year 1894 furnished the highest amount per enpita under that head.

THE SANJUAN TIMES, PEFFER OF KANSAS.

HE LIKES TO BE CARICATURED AND ABUSED.

Thinks That the People Are Going to Agree with Him Some Day-From Printer's Devil to Senator-A Devout Christian.



ERE is a portrait of the most thoroughly abused man in the United States -Senator William A. Peffer of Kansas. For years the cartoonists of the east have utilized his features as typical of the wild and woolly politicians of the west. He has

been caricatured more than any man on this continent, with the possible exception of Blaine, Sherman and Cleveland. Unlike most politicians he takes it all in good part. He honestly believes that all the people will yet come to his way of thinking and that in the not distant future we will have government ownership of everything worth owning, to say nothing of bushels of money that will be issued in payment thereof. Like most of the populist leaders, Senator Peffer got his first start in life as a printer's devil. Printers' devils have a habit of reading the proofs which pass through their hands, and young Peffer was no exception to the rule. In this way he accumulated considerable knowledge. When he succeeded to the proof-render's desk he was able to read a market report backwards. And it is said that he used to read that way. A facetious writer has remarked that that is how he got it into his head that the world was progressing backward. Anyway, by the time he succeeded to the editorial chair he was firmly convinced that things were upside down generally, and he succeeded in making other people agree with him. He entered political life and in a remarkably short time found himself elected to a seat in the United States senate. Today he is looked upon as the logical candidate for president by a large portion of his party.

Aside from his political views, Senator Peffer would attract general admirtor Peffer would attract general admi-.. He is a strict temperation adevil by inches. He is : devout christian and believes that finally the reign of the christian spirit will dissolve the tr bles of our times. His home is a happy



SENATOR PEFFER.

Peffer took occasion to tell a reporter some things about his party. He said: "It is a mistake to suppose that the populist party is decreasing in strength, We are gaining. We shall call a conby they may be down on the surface of vention next year and put a ticket into the field. Our platform will be reform In finance, direct taxation, better returns to labor for its toll and government ownership of railroads and other great public corporate interests.

"As to the silver question, I don't believe it will be the dominant issue next discussion is over, and people are getting down to the thinking. The silver question is one of continual interest; but, like every other public question, interest in it flows and ebbs. Interest is now on the ebb. I hardly think there will be a silver ticket in the field. If there is it will be separate from the

allst, unless it unites with us. tusiness is better than it was, and crops promise large returns. We shall raise 200,000,000 bushels of corn in Kansas. The acreage is larger than it was, although our proportion is not so great. The situation has been this: For several years the manufacturers vastly overproduced. It was necessary for them to get rid of this surplus product, so, gradually, they decreased their output, until the country was down to bedrock and the manufacturers had disposed of their old stocks. Then, of course, business began to revive, and will probably continue to grow better."

Minister a Victim of Whitecaps.

The other night at 11 o'clock four whitecaps took the Rev. T. S. Rooks, the Baptist minister of Westmoreland, Kas., from his home in a back, drove out in the country five miles with him and then tarred and feathered him. Hooks is lying at a farmer's house and or hung if he returns to Westmoreland. citizens of Westmoreland are taking excitement. Lynchings are threatened on both sides.

A 3-year-old boy has been sent to the reform school from Rockford, Ill., for horse-stealing.

DISHOP IRELAND.

Biographical Sketch of a Much Talked About Catholic Prelate.

Archbishop Ireland of St. Paul, as an orator, has gained a national reputation. He was born in Burnchurch county, Kilkenny, Ireland, Sept. 11, His parents emigrated to the United States when he was a boy, and settled in St. Paul, Minn. He went to Paris in September, 1853, entered the Petit Seminaire of Meximeux, and finished the course in four years, half the usual time. After studying theology in the Grand Seminaire at Hyeres, he returned to St. Paul in 1861, and was ordained in December of that year. He served as chaplain of the Fifth Minnesota regiment during a part of the civil war, and was afterward appointed rec-



BISHOP IRELAND. tor of the cathedral at St. Paul. In 1869 he organized the first total abstinence society in the state. In 1870 he went to Rome as the accredited representative of Bishop Grace at the Vatican. After his consecration as coadjutor bishop of St. Paul in 1875, he undertook the work of colonization in the Northwest. He made large purchases of land in Minnesota, which were taken up by nine hundred Roman Catholicolonists. He then bought twelve thousand acres of land with equally satisfactory results. In 1887 he was appointed archbishop of St. Paul.

WILL TEACH HOW TO LIVE.

Pittsburg Priest Aims to Reform Drankards and Gluttons.

Per, Pather McKeever, of the Church of St. John the Baptist, is organizing a novel temperance society. It is nonsectarian and its members will be permitted the use of light beer and wines in moderation. Should the plans of the organization become popular the liquor business of this country will be entirely revolutionized. While a total abstainer himself, Father McKeever believes in temperance in all things. The work of his society will be educational. It is to go into homes and teach the science of living. What food is bes suited to individuals according to the work they do, and how to prepare to the amounts necessary for the preser vation of health and strength will be taught them. For those who desire alcoholic stimulants the use of beer and light wines will be advocated. Whisky brandy, gin, rum, Father McKeever relegates to the apothecaries, where they are to be secured as medicine by prescription. The practice of treating will be discountenanced. Father Mc-Keever is arranging for a mass meeting at which his ideas will be explained. He is pastor of one of the largest Roman Catholic churches in this city. He also proposes to reform people who eat too much,

Bikes Will Be Heavier Next Year. Bicycle makers say wheels will be a few pounds heavier next year. Tires will be one-half larger than at pregent



The above is a portrait of ex-Secretary of State Foster who gained would wide fame as a diplomat, he having ably conducted the peace negotiations between China and Japan. For his services China is said to have paid him the handsame sum of \$200,000.

Another Woman Sheriff.

Mrs. Helen C. Stewart, has taken the oath of office, and become shorlff of Green county, Missouri, She gave a bond of \$25,000, which was approved.

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